

## Rosslyn A. Lyell



Rosslyn Arthur Lyell of Duxbury, MA passed away on November 30 at the Sakonnet Bay Manor Senior Living Center in Tiverton, RI. Born in London in 1921, he was the only son of Arthur Lyell and Lorna Pilling Lyell. His father was a career Navy man, and the family moved regularly in Ross's early years, living in New York City, Norfolk, VA, the Philippines, Beijing, China, and Philadelphia, PA. Ross graduated from the William Penn Charter School in Philadelphia, and Harvard College, ('41), where he majored in English literature, played varsity squash, and was captain of the tennis team. After graduation, he was drafted into the Army, serving in WWII (ETO) as a Second Lieutenant, earning a Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars.

He married Anne W. Morse in 1947, living in Worcester, MA, raising four children who survive him: Wendy Lyell Stokes and her husband Tim Stokes (Jamestown, CO); Elizabeth Lyell (Edmonds, WA); Chandler Lyell and his wife Marilyn (Portsmouth, RI) and Patricia Lyell and her husband Bob Gilston (Schuylerville, NY). In addition, he leaves four grandsons: Tyler Stokes, Adam Stokes and his wife Lindsay Miller, Andrew Lyell and Slader Lyell.

Ross had a lengthy career in Worcester with Lawrence R. Mc-Coy Company, a national lumber broker, and a second career in Boston as an executive search consultant, first with Thomas A. Buffum Associates and later, Canny, Bowen of Boston and NYC. In Worcester, he was a trustee of the Bancroft School, Memorial Hospital, and Worcester Citizen's Plan E Association. In addition, he was a member of the Shakespeare Club of Worcester, Tatnuck Country Club, Worcester Tennis Club, Duxbury Yacht Club, the Country Club of Brookline, and the Harvard Clubs of Boston and NYC. He lived much of his retired life in Duxbury, MA.

An avid reader throughout his life, Ross also travelled widely and enjoyed tennis, skiing, sailing, snorkeling and The New York Times crossword puzzles. He was proud and supportive of his family, and often expressed gratitude for the relationships he had with them, and that they had with each other. Numerous organizations important to him included Pine Street Inn of Boston, Union of Concerned Scientists, Doctors Without Borders, Greenpeace and Conservation Law Foundation. His family will have a private memorial remembrance in the spring.